

# Welcome



Hello parents, grandparents, students  
and friends,

Welcome back to school! Staff here in the Nautilus classroom are so happy to see you and happy to be part of your lives. Here is a little Q & A on some of the more frequently asked questions:

## What is the Nautilus classroom?

The Nautilus classroom is one of the district's Intensive Support Programs (ISP). Our room at TGS was designed to provide educational programming to special education students from Kindergarten through fifth grade with special learning needs . Each student has an Individualized Education Program (IEP) designed to make educational gains.



### Why did you name it Nautilus?

Just as each student has an individualized program we wanted all of the ISP programs in our district to have an individual identity that represents them. We chose the nautical reference nautilus in honor of the beautiful mid-coast area here in Maine. A nautilus is a beautiful creature that thrives and grows in its ocean environment in its shiny, spiral shell.

### Why is my child's special education program so confusing sometimes?

It can be tricky and a lot to think about. Here is a link to the Special Education Guide for Parents which is located on the RSU 13 Special Education website.

[2019-2020 Special Education A Guide for Parents RSU 13.docx](#) I have found this to be a great resource. If you have any other questions please feel free to contact me at [nmoroney@rsu13.org](mailto:nmoroney@rsu13.org)

### What are your office hours?

As I am usually teaching in the classroom during the school day please feel free to email me at [nmoroney@rsu13.org](mailto:nmoroney@rsu13.org) or call and leave a message.



Are there other staff members in Nautilus?

The answer is a BIG yes! We have a wonderful team of Education Technicians/Behavioral Health Professionals (BHP's) in Nautilus. Please see Our Staff page to meet Jodi, Rachael, Cricket, Jen and Sherri! We also work very closely with our school social worker Lisa Elliot.

How does the Covid-19 pandemic affect my child's special education services?

Here is another great resource which may answer most of your questions.

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)